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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 19, 2002 OFFICE ACTION AND
PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to the November 19, 2002 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the November 19, 2002 Office Action was originally due February 19, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time in which to respond to the November 19, 2002 Office Action. The fee for a three month extension of time for a large entity is NINE-HUNDRED AND THIRTY DOLLARS (\$930.00) and a check for this amount is enclosed. With a three month extension of time, the response to the November 19, 2002 Office Action is now due May 19, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 77 and 141 without disclaimer or prejudice

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